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- 1. The total population of Poland is approximately 27 million, and its area is 311,730 square kilometers. The density of population is 80 persons per square kilometer. In 1938 the natural growth of population was 10.7 percent, and in 1953 it reached 19.5 percent. The largest growth, as high as 27.6 percent, occurred in the occupied areas.
- 2. Poland has 715 towns with a total population of 9,500,000. Of this number 135 towns have over 10,000 inhabitants; 60 have over 20,000 inhabitants; and 16 have over 100,000 inhabitants.
- 3. The density of population by voivodship is as follows:

Olsztyn	152.4
Opole	143.0
Poznan	149.0
Rzeszow	186.3
Stalinogrod	132.5
Szczecin	163.9
Wroclaw	172.5
Zielona Gora	158.9
Bialystok	169.2
Warsaw 1	202.4
Bydgoszcz	193.0
Gdansk	136.4
Kielce	193.4
Koszalin	168.5
Krakow	177.9
Lublin 1	167.8
Lodz	198.2

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4. The birth rate per 1,000 persons for selected years between 1936 and 1953 was as follows:

1936	26.4	Ļ
1938	24.6	,
1947	26.2	,
1948	29.3	j
1950	30.6	j
1953	30.6	,

5. Natural growth per 1,000 persons from 1947 through 1953 was as follows:

1947	15.1
1948	18.1
1949	17.8
1953	19.0 to 19.5

6. The mortality rate per 1,000 persons fell from approximately 18 in 1938 to approximately 11.4 in 1953. The mortality rate by age groups was as follows:

0 - 4 years	37.8 percent
1 - 4	6.5
5 - 9	1.6
10 - 14	1.4
15 - 19	2.2
20 - 24	3.3
25 - 29	3.5
30 - 34	3.7
35 - 39	4.3
40 - 44	5.3
45 - 49	7.2
50 - 54	10.5
55 - 59	15.0
60 - 6h	23.0
65 - 69	35.2

Average life expectancy in 1932 was 49.7 years and rose to 58.6 in 1953.

7. The following is a breakdown of mortality causes per 10,000 persons in the large towns:

Cause of Death	1936-38	1946	<u> 1953</u>
Infectious diseases	6.6	6.0	3.0
Tuberculosis	18.0	15.7	11.0
Tumors	11.2	10.7	11.1
General diseases	2.1	2.3	2.1
Mental diseases	7.1	7.2	7.2
Blood diseases	22.3	23.6	23.9
Respiratory diseases	12.6	23.2	8.5
Digestive diseases	8.6	10.3	8.1
Urological diseases	2.2	2.4	1.5
Pregnancy and birth	0.9	0.5	0.3
Skin, bone, and tissue diseases	0.9	0.8	0.4
Underdevelopment of babies	6.3	9.6	7.8
Diseases of old age	5.7	7.9	7.7
Accidents, crimes	5.6	9.7	4.6
Suicides	2.6	1.5	1.2
Unknown	3.3	2.9	1.5

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8. The rate of infant mortality per 100 children for selected years between 1938 and 1953 is as follows:

1938	13.9
1948	11.2
1949	10.7
1953	10.8

Poor health of babies, premature births, and labor irregularities cause 41.2 percent of the above figures, while infectious diseases and tuberculosis cause 9.2 percent. The highest infant mortality for 1953 occurred in the Lodz district (10.9 per 100), in Bytom (12.5 per 100), and in Silesia (11 per 100).

9. Physical data of youths in Lodz from 1949 to 1953 were as follows:

	Height in cm	Weight in kilos	Chest measurements in cm	
Boys, age 15	155.7	46.6	75.2	
16	159.0	50.1	77.7	
17	162.6	59.1	79.7	
18	165.0	57.0	81.8	
Girls, age 15	151.4	52.4	69.4	
16	156.0	52.4	69.4	
17	157.0	52.9	70.5	
18	157.8	55.9	71.5	
Physical data of youths in rural area for 1952 were as follows:				
Boys, age 18	165.4	59.6	83.05	
19	166.5	60.7	83.8	

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